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PLEASE PASS ROBERT S. MCNAMARA, IBRD

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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR MR. MCNAMARA

MANY OF US HEREBOUTS ARE DISTRESSED BY THE "LETTER FROM NEW DELHI" IN THE CURRENT NEW YORKER. THE VIEW OF THE FORD FOUNDATION ASCRIBED TO THE AMERICAN EMBASSY CERTAINLY DISTRESSED THIS AMBASSADOR. A TRUSTEE OF SAID FOUNDATION MIGHT BE DISTRESSED BY THE VIEW OF THE AMERICAN EMBASSY ASCRIBED TO THE FORD FOUNDATION. AND WE CAN BOTH AGREE, I AM SURE, THAT THE STATEMENT ASCRIBED TO WOLF LADEJINSKY IS SIMPLY UNSUPPORTABLE. FROM MY FIRST DAY HERE I HAVE REGARDED WILLIAM GILMARTIN AND WOLF AS INTERNATIONAL OFFICIALS TO WHOM I COULD LOOK FOR ADVICE AND COUNSEL, AND I HAVE REPEATEDLY DONE SO, IF ANYTHING, MORE FREQUENTLY AS TIME HAS GONE BY. IN THIS TIME WOLF HAS ALSO BECOME A FREQUENT AND WELCOME VISITOR AT ROOSEVELT HOUSE, FRIEND AND A CONFIDANT IN MANY MATTERS. MUCH AS WAS JOHN COOL OF THE FORD FOUNDATION, BEFORE HE DEPARTED. WE HAVE TALKED AWAY MANY AN EVENING ABOUT EVERY IMAGINABLE SUBJECT. I HAVE NEVER HEARD HIM SAY ANYTHING REMOTELY RESEMBLING THE STATEMENT ATTRIBUTED TO HIM IN THE NEW YORKER. THIS IS NOT A MATTER OF TEXTUAL NICETY. HIS VIEWS ARE VERY NEAR THE OPPOSITE OF THOSE ASCRIBED TO HIM. I LEARNED OF HIS GREAT CONCERN ABOUT THIS MATTER, AND VOLUNTEERED TO HIM THAT, SHARING HIS CONCERN, I WOULD LIKE TO APPRISE YOU OF MY BELIEF THAT HE HAS BEEN DONE

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